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SEEKS TO AVERT "L" ROAD TIE-UP

President August Belmont, Convinced of the Seriousness of the Situation, Confers with Representatives of the Men.

TAMMANY TAKES HAND IN THE SETTLEMENT.

Congressman Timothy D. Sullivan Has a Conference with Belmont Before the Labor Representatives Arrived.

An "L" tie-up which would demoralize the passenger traffic of New York depends upon the result of the conference this afternoon between W. L. Jenks, chief of local Union No. 105 of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; L. L. Smith, of the Executive Committee of the Brotherhood, and August Belmont, President of the Interborough Street Railway Company, the lessee of the Manhattan Elevated system.

The members of the local order of the Brotherhood adopted a resolution last night in which they refused to submit to a physical examination ordered a few weeks ago by the Interborough company for its motormen. This resolution was considered as a direct threat of a strike unless the officers of the road agreed to modify their demand for the examination.

Mr. Jenks and Mr. Smith called upon Belmont, of the road, today, told him of the resolution adopted and asked him to arrange a meeting between them and President Belmont. Mr. Bryan told them to come back at noon and in the meantime he would endeavor to arrange a meeting between them and Mr. Belmont.

Consults with Belmont.

Mr. Bryan then had a conference with his chief. He told Mr. Belmont that the proposed physical examination of the motormen was obnoxious to them and that they had determined to a man to resist it. He told him that the resolution passed at the meeting last night was tantamount to a strike unless an early effort was made to adjust the matter. In fact, Mr. Bryan put the onus of the matter in such a way that he consented at once to see the officers of the Brotherhood and consult with them, and when they called back at the offices of the road at noon they were told that Mr. Belmont had agreed to see them and talk the matter over.

The order requiring a physical examination for the "L" motormen was passed several weeks ago by the officers of the Interborough road. It immediately aroused a bitter sentiment among the motormen, all of whom were members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers or of the Brotherhood of Firemen. One of the main objections to the examination was that it was necessary for a motorman to be able to distinguish a letter three-eighths of an inch long at a distance of thirty feet, alternately with one eye and then with the other.

Unreasonable, they say. This provision was declared to be unreasonable and more strict than any rule enforced by any other railroad in the country. The motormen declared that they were willing to submit to anything within reason, but they could not accept the company's order in the present form.

The resolution adopted last night was voted unanimously by both firemen and engineers. In voting the men understood that they would go out on strike to a man if necessary. Even if the Grand Chiefs of the Brotherhoods disapprove of a strike, the men are determined to stop work unless the order is modified. They have consented, before making their final move, to consult with the Grand Chief Warren S. Stone, of the Locomotive Engineers, of Cleveland, and Grand Chief J. E. Hanahan, of the Locomotive Firemen, of Peoria, Ill.

Just before the arrival of the delegates, Mr. Belmont received the Congressman Timothy D. Sullivan. Mr. Belmont had half an hour's session with Sullivan, but neither would state the object of the conference. The presence of Sullivan in Mr. Belmont's office caused the widespread belief that he was thought by some that he had endeavored to inject politics into the threatened strike by a mere attempt to settle the trouble with the motormen.

CITS TAKE DOWN BANNER.

Feared Murphy Was Right When He Said It Would Help Wigwag.

The Citizens' Union has decided to take down the banners at Fourteenth street and Twenty-third streets and Broadway reading:

THIEVES, GAMBLERS AND DIVES-KEEPERS WILL VOTE FOR TAMMANY HALL. HOW WILL YOU VOTE?

The Citizens' Union managers thought that the banners were all right until Charles F. Murphy expressed satisfaction at them and said he wished they would be allowed to remain. His idea was that they would make Tammany cause sentiment to a more temperate character will be placed upon the new Citizens' Union banners at the points named.

AGAINST METAL STRIKE.

MILWAUKEE, Conn., Oct. 15.—The count of votes cast by the Inter-metal workers employed by the Inter-metal workers, to this city and elsewhere, on the proposal to strike was completed today and showed that about three-fourths of the men were opposed to a strike. The vote was taken because of the company's refusal to grant the union demand for a nine-hour day with pay for ten hours.



WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Saturday, for New York City and vicinity: Occasional light rains to-night; Saturday unsettled, probably rain; fresh southerly winds.

THOMPSON UP ON CRAFT CHARGE

Widow of the Late Sergt. Gilhooley Says He Paid Ex-Inspector for Promotion by Having Life Insured.

MONEY PAID AFTER HIS DEATH TO MRS. THOMPSON.

Mrs. Gilhooley Obtains a Summons and the Ex-Inspector Will Have to Answer to the Chargé Next Wednesday.

A summons was served to-day on former Police Inspector Walter S. Thompson calling him to Justice Meyer's Court of Special Sessions next Wednesday to answer a charge of extortion. Thompson was not arrested, as is usual in such cases.

On the information furnished by Mrs. Margaret Gilhooley, widow of the late sergeant who was shot and killed in a saloon at Fourth street and Sixth avenue by an infuriated negro last May, Assistant District Attorney Lord asked for the summons.

In an affidavit covering five typewritten pages Mrs. Gilhooley says that after her husband's death she found among his effects a policy on his life for \$2,500 issued by the New York Life Insurance Company. She said that the policy was payable to Mrs. Thompson, wife of the former police inspector, and that the company paid Mrs. Thompson the money.

Continuing in her affidavit Mrs. Gilhooley said that at the time her husband was promoted to a sergeantcy he told her that he had primed to pay for the policy for \$2,500 for securing the money for him. As he did not have the money he said he had let the insurance company insure his life, making it payable to Mrs. Thompson, as security for the debt.

"MONK" GANG THUG GETS 14 YEARS

For Highway Robbery on the East Side: George Meyers Goes to Prison—Held Up a Saloon-Keeper.

Fourteen years at hard labor in the State prison was the sentence that George Meyers, twenty-five years old, of No. 14 Allen street, said to be one of the foremost leaders in "Monk" Eastman's gang, received to-day from Recorder Goff, for highway robbery. In sentencing the prisoner the Recorder said: "In my experience I have never seen so many cases of highway robbery in a corresponding period of time than have been brought up in the courts during the past two weeks. I owe a duty to society and the community to give a warning to men of your character. You have been arrested before and deserve to be made an example of."

CZAR ARRAIGNED IN COURT.

He is a Siberian Wolf Hound and is Valued at \$700.

Cser, the seven hundred-dollar Siberian wolf hound belonging to E. M. Lockwood, Secretary of the National Register Company, of No. 4 Wall street, was arraigned in the Jefferson Market Court to-day, charged with being a vagrant. He was turned over to his owner, who had been advertising a reward of \$50 for his return during the last two days.

According to Policeman O'Rourke, the animal walked up to him last night and thrust his muzzle into the policeman's hand. At the Mercer street station-house, where he took the dog, he learned of the reward that Mr. Lockwood had offered for its return and notified the owner.

"Black and White" Scotch Whisky, the kind that refreshes and invigorates.

MAIL OFFICIAL HELD FOR THEFT

Inspectors Worked Long on the Case Before They Suspected Haff, Superintendent of the Foreign Branch.

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT, 200 MEN UNDER HIM.

Marked Money Sent in Decoy Letters Alleged to Have Been Found in His Pockets When He Was Arrested.

Alexander Haff, the Superintendent of the Foreign Mail Branch of the post-office at Morton and West streets, was arrested to-day by Post-Office Inspectors Boyle and Meyer. Haff was arraigned before United States Commissioner Shields on a charge of embezzling letters from the mails.

According to the inspectors \$5 in marked bills was found in Haff's possession. The bills, the inspectors said, had been sent by them in "test" letters. Haff was sent to the Ludlow Street Jail in default of \$3,000 bail. He has been in the Postal Service since 1874.

The arrest of the Superintendent came as a decided shock to Postmaster Van Cott and the other officials of the Post-Office, for no man in the service stood higher in the estimation of his superiors and his integrity had always been unquestioned.

Was Dazed at First.

When arrested he seemed dazed, but recovered himself quickly and took the matter quite calmly. He declined to make a statement.

About seven months ago complaints began to come to the postal authorities from foreign countries that letters, originally containing money, had been received with the contents intact excepting the money enclosures.

Inspectors Boyle and Meyer were placed on the case, and since that time have from day to day "tested" practically all of the half hundred clerks in the distribution division of the foreign service. One by one the clerks were proved honest, but the complaints kept coming in with provoking regularity. Boyle and Meyer were quite perplexed, never suspecting the superintendent.

The clerks were shadowed to and from their work, and even their home life inquired into, but none could be found who was living beyond his income. Suspected the Superintendent. One day last week the inspectors noticed that the Superintendent came down to his office a few moments before 8 o'clock in the morning, although his official time for reporting was not until 9 o'clock. One of the clerks volunteered the information when asked that he had seen the Superintendent in the morning, but he did not have the mail for Sweden and Norway to "help out." This was an act that drew the attention of the inspectors, who have been quite praiseworthy, but as practically four-fifths of the complaints came from the clerks, they were not at all surprised. Accordingly, four "test" letters were placed in the outgoing mail, and the Superintendent was told that this morning a number were prepared and placed in the mail it was known he would handle.

When the despatches were ready the inspectors found two of the letters containing marked money. The two inspectors then went into Mr. Haff's office and commenced discussing ordinary topics with him. When suddenly the superintendent excused himself, and got up to go to attend, as he explained, to some official business. Inspector Meyers followed him to the lavatory, where he quickly broke in the door and rescued the "test" letters. He claims that a second letter would have disappeared through the sewers. A moment later the marked bills, the inspectors say, were recovered and the superintendent was placed under arrest.

Was Quickly Promoted.

Haff, whose salary was \$2,200 per year, was appointed to the service in December, 1874, and for a time was an ordinary clerk. Then he was made night clerk of the second division, and on Nov. 20, 1900, was promoted to the superintendency of the foreign branch, where he had 200 men under him. He lives at No. 513 West One Hundred and Forty-fifth street with his wife and two daughters. The latter are to be graduated shortly from the Bronx High School.

The arrest of Haff resembles in many respects that of Supt. Vorhis, of Station 8, who is now serving two and a half years in prison for a similar offense.

ACCUSED HER HUSBAND.

Said He Threatened Her Because She Wouldn't Live with Him.

Edward Wright, of No. 430 West Twenty-fifth street, was arraigned before Magistrate Cornell, in the West Side Court to-day, charged by his wife Elizabeth with threatening her with a revolver for refusing to live with him. The man denied the charge and said that he merely asked his wife to live with him.

"You have just come out of Danmore Prison, have you not?" asked Magistrate Cornell.

"I have," said Wright. "You served a year there for having stolen a box from Judge Parker, of the Court of Appeals, didn't you?"

On the consent of Mrs. Wright the Magistrate paroled the man in the custody of his brother William.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN A. DOWIE



PHOTOGRAPHED TO-DAY AS THEY WERE LEAVING THE PLAZA HOTEL.

"YOUNG CORBETT" AND BEN JORDAN MATCHED

Featherweights Will Battle for International Championship in San Francisco During the Month of December.

An international match for the world's featherweight championship has been clinched between "Young Corbett," the king pin of the featherists this side of the Atlantic, and Ben Jordan, who holds the title in King Edwards' boxing. The contest will take place before the Hayes Valley Athletic Club, of San Francisco, during the month of December, probably a week before Xmas.

The conditions of the match call for the men to weigh not more than 125 pounds at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the date set for the battle. The two men are scheduled for twenty rounds, straight Marquis of Queensberry rules, with five ounce gloves.

Granny to Referee. Although the question of a referee will be left open until Jordan's arrival, it is very probable that Eddie Grancy will be selected to judge the contest. He has officiated at nearly all of the important bouts which have taken place in "Frisco" recently.

Harry Corbett, a brother of Jim Corbett, who is the leading light of the Pacific Coast sporting men, has been selected to hold the forfeits for the principals and club.

Charles Horan, who is looking after the interests of the Englishman, has instructed him to sail for New York on New Wednesday's boat. He will stop over a couple of weeks in the East and will then go to San Francisco to train for the contest.

WAITING WORD ON "L" TIE-UP

The chiefs of the locals of the Brotherhoods of Engineers and Firemen are now awaiting word from President Belmont of the Interborough Company, which may result in a tie-up of the "L" system. After a conference with the Brotherhood men Mr. Belmont and the officers and directors of the road went into consultation. It is expected that the result of their conference will be announced any minute.

RESULTS AT BRIGHTON BEACH.

Fifth Race—Duelist 1, Van Ness 2, Black Fox 3.

AT WORTH.

First Race—Tancred 1, Major Dixon 2, Mandamus 3. Second Race—Testimony 1, Chockayotte 2, Determination.

RESULTS AT ST. LOUIS.

First Race—Miss Gould 1, Wilhelmina 2, Helen Hay 3. Second Race—Bird Pond 1, Rusk 2, Hoof Beat 3. Third Race—Heizel 1, Mallory 2, Dolly Gray 3.

WOTAN WINS AT ODDS OF 8 TO 1

False Price Against Hampton Stable's Candidate in Opening Event—Oarsmen Beats Fast Field in Second Race.

THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Wotan (8 to 1) 1, Outcome (6 to 1) 2, Bobadil 3.

SECOND RACE—Oarsman (3 to 2) 1, Eugenia Burch (11 to 5) 2, Tribes Hill 3.

THIRD RACE—Tot San (4 to 1) 1, Golden Drop (16 to 5) 2, Judge 3.

FOURTH RACE—River Pirate (3 to 1) 1, Injunction (13 to 10) 2, Stolen Moments 3.

(Special to The Evening World.) BRIGHTON BEACH, N. Y., Oct. 15.—Though there were no stakes at Brighton this afternoon, it was by far the most interesting programme of the meeting. The card bristled with horses of class and the contests promised to be keenly fought and very interesting.

The card attracted also one of the best crowds of the meeting, the grand stand being filled to overflowing and the ring uncomfortably crowded.

The weather, threatening during the morning, turned out bright and sunny and furnished a fine afternoon. The track was fit for racing.

FIRST RACE.

Six furlongs. Starters, wts. jockeys. St. Hif. Fin. Betting. Wotan, 112, Hicks, 5 1/2, 11 1/2, 8 1/2. Outcome, 112, Gannon, 4 3/4, 23, 8 1/2. Bobadil, 115, O'Neil, 7 1/2, 34, 9 1/2. Adriatic, 99, Reider, 8 1/2, 30, 10. Palmer, 100, Michaels, 8 1/2, 30, 10. Flaatarf, 112, Wilkerson, 12 1/2, 7, 20. Graniolo, 115, Gray, 5 1/2, 30, 10. Minerva, 115, Balmann, 1 1/2, 11, 10. Naughty Lady, 100, Burnell, 11 1/2, 30, 10. Easter, 99, Jones, 8 1/2, 20, 10. Cedar Run, 99, Higgins, 3 1/2, 12, 5. Gold Tip, 97, Evans, 9 1/2, 20, 10. Start good. Won easily. Time—1:14 1/2.

SECOND RACE.

One mile and a sixteenth. Starters, wts. jockeys. St. Hif. Fin. Betting. Oarsman, 111, Reider, 5 1/2, 11 1/2, 8 1/2. Eugenia Burch, 115, Hicks, 5 1/2, 23, 11 1/2. Tribes Hill, 95, Calahan, 4 3/4, 34, 14 1/2. D. McKee, 115, Fuller, 1 1/2, 11, 10. Start good. Won easily. Time—1:47 1/2.

THIRD RACE.

Six furlongs. Starters, wts. jockeys. St. Hif. Fin. Betting. Tot San, 96, Higgins, 5 1/2, 11 1/2, 8 1/2. Golden Drop, 100, Fuller, 5 1/2, 23, 11 1/2. Judge, 97, W. Daily, 5 1/2, 31, 10 1/2. Valour, 100, O'Neil, 4 3/4, 34, 13 1/2. Hiawatha, 102, Michaels, 8 1/2, 30, 10. Fort Plain, 101, Reider, 2 3/4, 6, 15 1/2. Emergence, 98, Jones, 7 1/2, 8, 20. Niekayuna, 104, Treubel, 1 1/2, 8, 20. Handful, 101, Evans, 9 1/2, 20, 10. Gold Tip, 97, F. Hewitt, 10 1/2, 20, 10. Start good. Won easily. Time—1:13 1/2.

Other races see columns 4 and 5.

DOWIEITES REBEL BECAUSE OF HUNGER; HIS WIFE ROBBED

Just After Their Arrival in This Wicked City Mrs. "Elijah Hl." Was Visited in Her Car by a Thief Who Succeeded in Stealing Her \$1,500 Diamond Brooch.

STARVING FOLLOWERS CREATE A SCENE IN THE GARDEN.

Had No Breakfast, Though It Was Paid for in Advance—The Great "Prophet" Announces He Has Been Sent by God Direct to Save This City, but He Has Doubts.

Two circumstances helped to shake the placid self-esteem of John Alexander Dowie this afternoon. In the first place, the followers of the so-called Prophet, Elijah Hl., made loud demands for food, thereby shocking the prophet, who would have them live on his honey words alone.

Then came the direful tidings that before Mrs. Dowie had left her private at the Grand Central Depot a thief had entered and stolen her \$1,500 diamond brooch.

The "Prophet" glared at those who objected because they found no breakfast in Madison Square Garden, though they had paid him in advance. He gritted his teeth and denounced this sin-ridden city when he heard how his wife had been victimized.

Mrs. Carl F. Stern, daughter of Dowie, private secretary to her mother and wife of the Chief of Police of Zion City, announced the robbery.

She said: "My mother put the brooch on a table in the dressing-room of the car while she went to the dressing-room. The train had just stopped in the station.

"When she came out of the room the brooch was gone. Just then she saw a man going out of the car. This man had loarded the car just a minute before and was permitted to come aboard because he had given our common greeting: 'Peace to you,' and we supposed he was one of the Restoration Host. He must have been a thief."

"I COME FROM GOD," HE SAYS.

"I come here as a prophet sent direct by God," said John Alexander Dowie, self-styled the Prophet, the Restorer, Elijah Hl., &c., to the reporters gathered around him in a small room off the concert hall in the Madison Square Garden this afternoon.

He began his remarkable declaration of war on sin in Gotham with the Dowieite greeting, "Peace to thee," after he had ordered two newspaper photographers to be bounced bodily into the street.

When the "firing" process was accomplished by the Dowie guards, the Prophet continued:

"I have come to restore New York to the host of Zion. I have not sent any of my officials because I believed that this, the greatest city of the country, was worthy of the careful consideration of myself. I believed that I, myself, should open the campaign which would bring this great city under the banner of Zion.

"Do not mistake me. I am the friend of law, the foe of anarchy and the evasion of law. If the law bears hard or seems wrong I will at all times submit to it because it is the law, but I will ever fight to change it because it is wrong."

Then Dowie recalled his long fight in Chicago, where he was arrested more than a hundred times.

"I claim the right of the people to pray in their own homes, and the right to minister to those not wanting doctors or drugs, but who wish to place their confidence in God. God is the healer of all evil.

"I believe the Bible from cover to cover, although I would not copy it. It is a record of good and evil. Even Job wrote nonsense, yet it is the greatest book in the Bible. Job was written on the inspiration of God before the book of Genesis. It is the oldest book in the Bible.

"I have fought many battles and I think I have won them all.

"I have not been unduly depressed in adversity, nor have I been unduly elated in prosperity."

Tears commenced to come to the eyes of the "Prophet" and he walked up closer to the reporters and said confidentially:

CHICAGO—THERE LIES HIS HEART!

He said he had come in no foolish spirit to say he would do this and that. He had come here to work. He said he loved Chicago, for there had been his triumph.

"I come not as John Alexander Dowie, nor as the head of the Christian Catholic Church in Zion, but as a prophet sent from God.

"I care not if you smile at the word prophet. I care not if your facile pens cast aspersions on me. It will bring the man who brings the message of God.

"We love Christ because He is our brother and our father." Here the "prophet" caught sight of a woman reporter, and advancing to her he patted her patronizingly on the shoulder and said:

"And we love Christ because he is your mother." Then Dowie wept.

Then the reporters essayed to ask a few questions on temporal matters.

"We will simply do the work here which we have done in Chicago," he said. "In Chicago we have visited 2,000,000 persons eight times without any special effort. Here we ought to visit every home at least twice. We have seventy nationalities among us and we will have no trouble in spreading the message in all languages."

Then Dowie introduced Elder Newcomb as his press representative, who would be his mouth-piece, as he put it, and then presented his wife as his co-worker.

As he beckoned for his son, John Alexander Gladstone Dowie, to stand up for his introduction, the "Prophet" became excited, shook his fist at the reporters and said:

"I want to deny as a malicious lie the story printed in the East that my son swore at a baseball game and that I slapped him for it. It is a lie."

"What about that \$5,000,000 you are said to have come here for?" he was asked.

"I'll tell you all about that," and his face beamed. "I was talking to a number of officials, and did not know any reporters were about. I was asked."